

MEMORIAL

TO his Grace, His MAJESTIES
High Commissioner, and the Honourable
Estates of Parliament, concerning
a Fond for a yearly Sallary to the Judge
of the High Court of Admiralty.

THE High Court of Admiralty, being by Act of Parliament declared a
Sovereign Court, it is suitable to the Dignity thereof, that the Judge
have a settled Sallary for his Pains and Encouragement, as other Judges
of Sovereign Courts have, and that he be not left to the meanness and
uncertainty of Sentence-money.

The most natural Fond that occurs, is some small Tunnage on Shipping,
which may be made so easie, that it will be very insensible to those lyable in
payment.

In the last Session of Parliament there was Imposed Sixteen Pence on the
Tun of every Foraign Ship which came into any Harbour or Road within this
Kingdom, each Voyage, and Four Shilling Scots on every Tun of Scots Ships
above Twelve Tuns Burden, once ilk Year, which was to be applyed by the
Lords of Privy Council for Re-imbursing Captain *Slazer* and Mr. *Adair*, for
certain Mapps, Prospects, and Descriptions of *Scotland*, with power to stop the
said Imposition in whole or in part, when the saids Maps and Prospects were
perfected.

How far Mr. *Slazer* and Mr. *Adair* are payed or might have been payed
out of the said Fond, may be enquired into if the Estates of Parliament think
fit.

It is certain this Imposition was complained of as a very heavy Burden by
those concerned with Shipping, for easing them thereof in a great Measure.

It is humbly proposed, that the one half of the said Imposition be continu-
ed to be a Fond for a Sallary to the Judge of the High Court of Admirali-
ty, and for making it the more effectual, that a Collector be appointed to up-
lift the whole Termly, and that he have a suitable Allowance, as also that the
Judge and Collectors Sallary be appointed to be payed out of the first and reas-
diest of the said Imposition, and if the Parliament think fit to continue any
part of the said Tunnage for Mr. *Slazer* or *Adairs* Behoves, that the same be
payed out of the *superplus*: But Captain *Slazers* performances being altogether
extrinseck from Shipping, the Parliamett may possibly fall on some other more
proper Fond for his Reimbursement.

The Royal Burrows who are most concerned in this Matter, will willingly
agree to this Proposal, and what shall be the *Quota* of the Sallary, is submit-
ted to the Commissioner his Grace and the Honourable Estates of Parliament.